

WHAT IS CLAIMED IS:

1. A scanning system for scanning a document placed on a document platen and for projecting an image onto a photosensitive image medium to form a latent image of said document thereon, said scanning system comprising:

a housing;

a photosensitive scanner adapted to move beneath said platen in a scan operation for projecting said image onto said photosensitive image medium to form said latent image; and

a scanning window mounted on a ceiling of said housing and a fringe of said scanning window bordered with a frame, wherein a top surface of said scanning window is substantially equal to that of said one side of said frame in height.

2. The scanning system of claim 1, wherein said photosensitive scanner is a charge-coupled device.

3. The scanning system of claim 1, wherein said photosensitive scanner is a contact image sensor.

4. The scanning system of claim 1 further comprising an orientation slot disposed on one side of said frame.

5. The scanning system of claim 1, wherein said scanning window has a downwardly sloping plane engaged with said orientation slot.

6. The scanning system of claim 4, wherein said orientation slot comprises an upper portion and a lower portion, and said upper portion has a downwardly sloping plane and said lower portion has a horizontal plane to form said orientation slot.

7. The scanning system of claim 1, wherein said scanning window is an exposure glass.

8. A scanning system for scanning a document placed on a document platen and for projecting an image onto a photosensitive image medium to form a latent image of said document thereon, said scanning system comprising:

a housing;

an illumination lamp adapted to move beneath said platen in a scan operation for projecting said image onto said photosensitive image medium to form said latent image and terminals of said illumination lamp having L-shaped structures; and

a scanning window mounted on a ceiling of said housing and a fringe of said scanning window bordered with a frame, wherein a top surface of said scanning window is substantially equal to that of said one side of said frame in height.

9. The scanning system of claim 8, wherein said illumination lamp is a fluorescent lamp which has two L-shaped structures.

10. The scanning system of claim 8, wherein said illumination lamp is an array of light emitting diodes.

11. A scanning system for scanning a document placed on a document platen and for projecting an image onto a photosensitive image medium to form a latent image of said document thereon, said scanning system comprising:

a housing;

a photosensitive scanner adapted to move beneath said platen in a scan operation for projecting said image onto said photosensitive image medium to form said latent image; and

a scanning window mounted on a ceiling of said housing and a fringe of said scanning window bordered with a frame, wherein a top surface of said scanning window is high than that of said one side of said frame in height.